

COMPLETE LISTING OF CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-20 and please add new claims 21-26 as follows:

Claims 1-20 (canceled)

Claim 21 (new): A method for providing a water treatment system for a dialysis clinic, comprising:

- (a) fabricating a portable water treatment system at a first location away from the dialysis clinic;
- (b) moving the portable water treatment system from the first location to the dialysis clinic;
- (c) connecting the portable water treatment system to a source of water; and
- (d) connecting the portable water treatment system to loop piping for circulating treated water to a plurality of dialysis machines of the clinic.

Claim 22 (new): The method of claim 21, wherein:

step (a) includes providing the portable water treatment system with a support frame having ground engaging wheels; and

step (b) includes rolling the portable water treatment system to a final position in the dialysis clinic.

Claim 23 (new): The method of claim 21, wherein:

step (a) includes providing the portable water treatment system with a storage tank and with a plurality of pre-filters and a reverse osmosis filter for purifying water; and

the method further includes step of:

filtering water from the source through the pre-filters and the reverse osmosis filter to create permeate;

storing the permeate in the storage tank of the portable water treatment system; and

circulating the permeate from the storage tank through the loop piping to the plurality of dialysis machines, and returning unused permeate through the loop piping to the storage tank of the portable water treatment system.

Claim 24 (new): The method of claim 23, wherein:

in step (a), at least one of the pre-filters is a carbon filter; and

the method further includes a step of backwashing the carbon filter.

Claim 25 (new): The method of claim 23, wherein:

in step (a), the portable water treatment system includes a feed water booster pump; and

the method further includes a step of boosting a pressure of the water from the source upstream of the pre-filters.

Claim 26 (new): The method of claim 21, wherein:

step (c) includes connecting a hot water inlet connection and a cold water inlet connection to the source;

step (d) includes connecting a loop feed connection and a loop return connection to the loop piping; and

the method further includes a step of connecting a drain connections from the system to a drain.